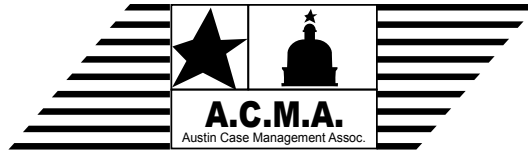


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## Join us for our next meeting Tuesday, March 13 ★ 11:45 a.m.

This month's meeting will be at North Austin Medical Center Auditorium on the 2nd floor, Tuesday, March 13, 2007, (Click here for [MapQuest Directions](#)) The meeting will begin at 11:45am preceded by lunch from approximately 11:15-11:45am.

You can RSVP on our web site, [www.austin-cma.org](http://www.austin-cma.org) Click on "RSVP", complete the information, and you are done. Visitors are welcome for a \$5.00 charge which includes lunch and the CEUs.

Our topic this month is "Hospice, End of Life Issues and Placement" presented by **Robert A. Friedman MD**. Dr. Friedman is board certified in Family Medicine; Fellow American Academy

of Family Practice; Diplomate American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine; Member of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine.

Dr. Friedman's Career reflects over 20 years of practicing as a full service Family Practitioner and during the last 10 years he has gained valuable expertise as a Medical Director and Consulting Physician in the area of Hospice and Palliative Care. He was, as well, a vital participant in the conception and realization of an inpatient palliative care program. Dr. Friedman is frequently invited to share with the public on an array of topics pertinent to their healthcare. These topics vary from preventative

health maintenance to end-of-life and hospice issues. In 2005, Dr. Friedman chose to devote himself to Hospice as a full-time Medical Director. As an active team member, he is committed to providing hands-on care in the home setting applying the principles and practice of Hospice and Palliative Medicine.

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For more information about VistaCare Please Contact Michelle Hunt R.N. 512-297-5734

## Time to renew your ACMA membership

Time is running out, renew your membership now. All renewals are due by March 2007 to be posted in the 2007 ACMA Membership Roster. The membership application will be available at the meeting or on our website at [www.austin-cma.org](http://www.austin-cma.org). Membership is good from January 2007 thru December 2007. To ensure you receive the newsletter via email, please be sure to include your email address on your application. Also, don't forget to specify which committee(s) you would like to serve.

## Place your ad in the annual Membership Directory

This is also the time of year to place your ad in the annual Membership Directory! The directory is distributed to all ACMA members including Case Managers, Social Workers, Nurses, Therapists, etc. This is an excellent opportunity to advertise your company throughout the Healthcare field. The cost is very reasonable!

Prices and sizes are as follows: Business card ad is \$25; 1/4 page is \$50; 1/2 page is \$75; Full page is ONLY \$125

To advertise, all we need is a clean copy of your company's logo, an ad placement copy or business card. If you advertised last year and want to run the same ad this year just let us know. Deadline is March 31, 2007.

For more information contact Lee Bowman at 512-836-1234 or email at [leebowman911@hotmail.com](mailto:leebowman911@hotmail.com).

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**Each year we ask our members to become more involved with the ACMA. Please consider joining a committee by speaking to any one of the board members.**

## Injury Management Organization, Inc. has job opportunity for RN/CCM

IMO is currently looking for a RN/CCM to cover the Austin area working in the area of worker's compensation case management. This position would be as an independent contractor allowing for the CM to have flexibility with their hours. I currently am in need of an individual who would be able to carry a caseload of 10-15 files, work catastrophic claims, and work directly with employers/carriers in establish-

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